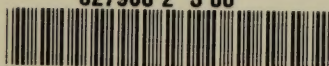


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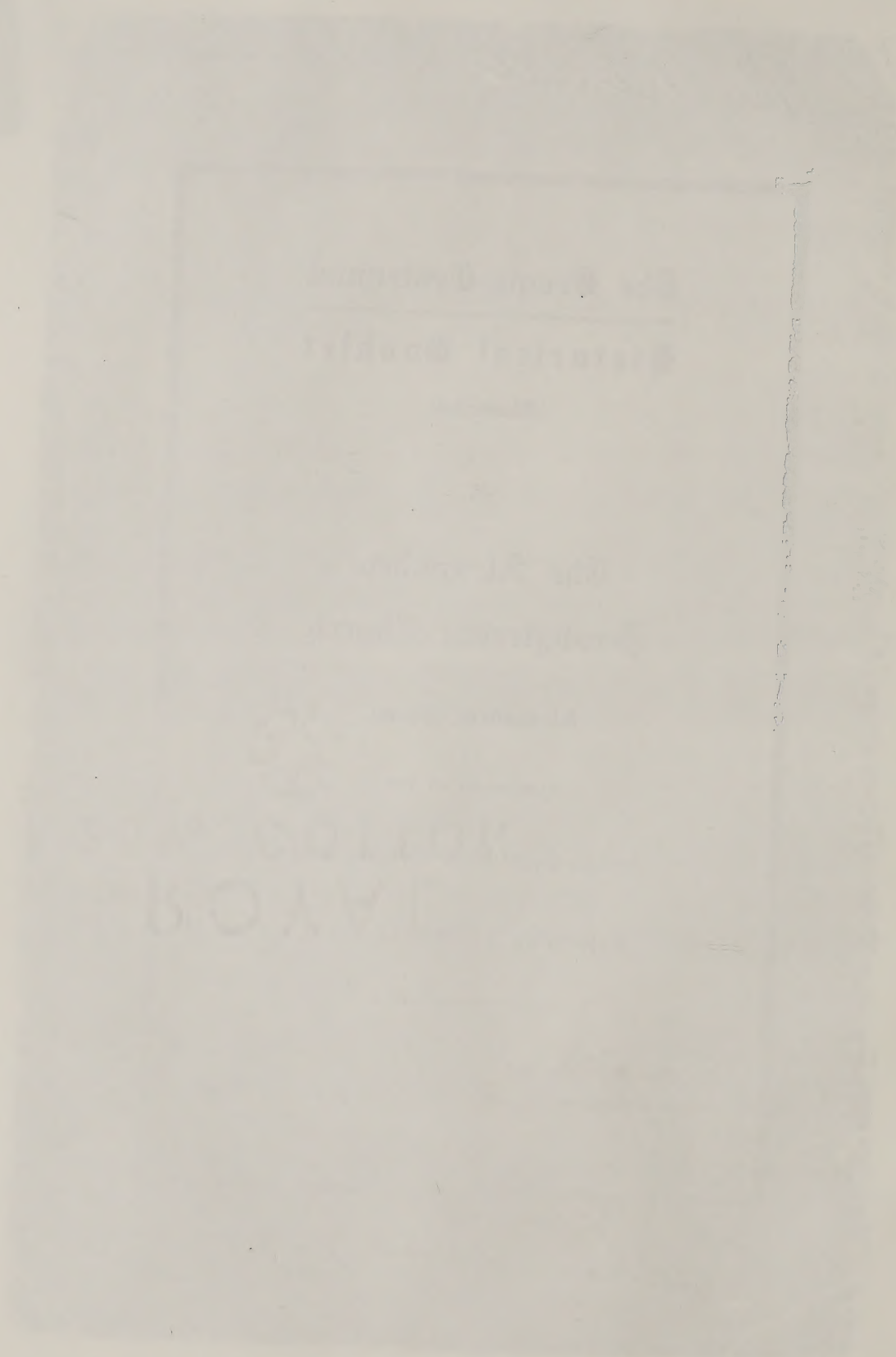
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married Captain in Revolutionary War
MARY HOLIHAN 1755-1824 Tomestones in Hart's Log Cemetery
children

JOHN SPENCER m. ELIZABETH CALDWELL moved to Ohio in 1805
dau. of Charles & Bettie

WILLIAM SPENCER m. ELIZABETH JACKSON moved to Ohio in 1816
dau of George

ROBERT SPENCER m.

moved to Ohio in 1824

MARY SPENCER m. SAMUEL NOBLE owned land where Altoona stands

CATHARINE SPENCER m. JOHN EGLE moved to Ohio in 1825

ABIGAIL SPENCER m. WILLIAM McELROY lived at Barree Forge

MARTHA SPENCER m. JEREMIAH CUNNINGHAM son of Robert
children lived in Shaver's Creek Val.

DAVID CUNNINGHAM m. NANCY FOSTER

AGNES CUNNINGHAM m. GEORGE WILSON
children

DAVID WILSON

ANN ELIZABETH WILSON

MARTHA SPENCER WILSON teacher

PRUDENCE JANE WILSON

HARRIET JEWEL WILSON

JEREMY WILSON artist Picketts Charge Hbg. Museum

JAMES THOMPSON WILSON

GEORGE C. WILSON

MARY ARMSTRONG WILSON

married

parents of MAHLON G. ROBB

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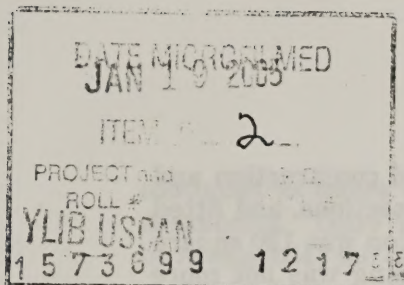
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Alexandria Presbyterian Church

1787 - 1937

The Hartslog Presbyterian Church, now the Alexandria Presbyterian Church, according to the old record, "is the oldest church in the upper Juniata Valley west of Jack's Narrows." It is the mother of the Presbyterian Churches of Huntingdon, Petersburg, Shavers Creek Valley, Lower Spruce Creek and Sinking Valley. It is three years older than the church at Huntingdon, and antedates the Presbytery of Huntingdon by more than nine years.

The early records begin with a subscription list for the erection of a house of worship in 1786, which includes the names of fifty-eight subscribers, heads of families, indicating the strength of the congregation at this early date, and substantiating the belief that ten years prior, a decade before the American Revolution, Presbyterians among the Scotch and Scotch-Irish pioneers banded themselves together here for worship according to their faith.

The Log Worship House stood upon the hill one mile north of the present site of the town of Alexandria, where a burial ground was later made, and where a stone marker, dedicated at this sesquicentennial, is now set up.

On October 6, 1787 this log building (a primitive structure, without floor, and split log benches for the worshipers, and without heating facilities) was renovated: a floor laid, six large windows set in, a large door constructed, and a pulpit and a communion table made; and on September 26, John Thorlton, John Williams, David Stewart, and David Caldwell "were appointed a committee to direct the private expenses of the congregation."

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This log building underwent continued construction and change. In 1794 it was laid off into four sections, and fitted with pews; which were rented. Each section was 120 square feet, from which we judge that the building was not more than 40 feet square. In 1802 a contract was awarded for the building of a gallery, with an outside stairway; but this was never entirely completed.

In 1787, September 10, James Dean, George Gray, Edward Hunter, Thomas McCune, William McCoy, and David Stewart were ordained as elders of the church by Rev. John Johnston; and four others, John Little, William Johnston, Alexander McCormick, and Robert Riddle were set apart to serve the Shavers Creek part of the congregation.

The Rev. John Johnston, the first minister of the church, was born in the city of Belfast, Ireland in 1750. He came to this country in 1784, and became a member of the Presbytery of Philadelphia and later transferred to the Presbytery of Carlisle (out of which Huntingdon Presbytery was formed). Mr. Johnston, one of the eight ministers present at the first organization of the Presbytery of Huntingdon in 1795, was installed minister of the Hartslog and Shavers Creek congregation on November 26, 1787. He is described as a "man of mind, erudition, and a very substantial preacher". He continued to be minister of the church until near the time of his death in 1823, in his 73rd year, being survived by a family of six children. He was the first commissioner of the Huntingdon Presbytery to the General Assembly, and he was the second Stated Clerk of the Presbytery.

In 1814, near the close of the War of 1812, Mr. Johnston, a strong Federalist, preached what was regarded by some as an anti-war sermon, expressing sympathy with the cause of Great Britain. At this a considerable portion of the congregation took offence and withdrew, and in due time, recognized by the Presbytery, organized in the village a church known as the Alexandria Presbyterian congregation. After the seceding part had gone out, the Hartslog congregation

continued as before until about 1826, when they moved to Alexandria. There were then two Presbyterian Churches in Alexandria; the only churches in the community.

In 1813, the entire congregation of Hartslog had purchased from Elizabeth Gemmill a lot for the erection of a church in the village on "Gravel Hill". (1) The deed was drawn between Elizabeth Gemmill, on the one part; and Thomas H. Stewart and Robert Stitt, on the other part. On this lot was commenced the building of a stone church, but before it was completed it was discovered that the material of soft limestone used would not endure exposure to the weather. It was used by the congregation in its unfinished condition for a few months, and they returned to the Old Log Church, which was used until 1826. In this year, 1826, the loyal part of the old Hartslog congregation moved to a brick building, referred to by Senator John Scott in his memoirs as the "Brick Church", which seems to have been located near to the site of the present Reformed Church. The old Log Worship House was taken down the same year, and some of its logs were used in one or two of the dwellings of Alexandria.

The seceding group were not at first recognized by the Presbytery, but they worshiped in a stone shop belonging to Mr. George Wilson; and in 1819, having advanced their cause before Presbytery, they called the Rev. James Thompson, a licentiate of the Presbytery of Northumberland, who became minister of Alexandria and Shavers Creek Churches. Soon after the coming of the Rev. Mr. Thompson, a lot for cemetery and church purposes was secured, and a frame building erected, which was called the "White Meeting House." It was located in what is now the old part of the present cemetery, and was completed about 1820.

The Rev. James Thompson built a house in the village in 1819, and was married to Elizabeth, daughter of Zachariah and Elizabeth Gemmill, whose father was the owner of the land on which Alexandria stands. Mr. Thompson

(1) "Gravel Hill" was most likely the knoll where the old Academy stood at the entrance of the present Cemetery.

served the Alexandria and the Shavers Creek congregation faithfully and efficiently for twelve years, until his death in 1830, in his thirty-ninth year. And as a testimony to the sense of loss at his death his congregation erected a marble slab over his grave, close to the church which he had served so well. (1)

Prior to the death of Rev. Mr. Thompson, the Rev. John Peebles had been installed pastor of the Huntingdon and Hartslog churches. Upon the death of the Rev. Mr. Thompson in 1830, Mr. Peebles proposed to his congregation to unite again the two congregations of the old Hartslog Church, and announced his purpose to resign, confining his labors altogether to Huntingdon, at a sacrifice of one-third of his salary. The people of the two congregations joined with him in this gracious move, and the two organizations in Alexandria were reunited in 1831 under the title: "The Alexandria and Hartslog Congregation." Mr. Peebles went to Huntingdon, and served that church until 1850, passing to his reward on April 15th, 1854.

The Alexandria and Hartslog Congregation continued to prosper under the ministry of the Rev. Samuel Wilson, who was installed in 1832, reporting to the Presbytery at this time a membership of 164. In 1838 the Rev. Mr. Wilson resigned his pastorate on account of ill health, having served the church for six years. In 1844 Dr. Wilson was living in Fairfield, Iowa. Dr. Wilson was succeeded by the Rev. John McKinney, who came from the Presbytery of Richland. He served as pastor until June, 1848, when he was dismissed to the Presbytery of Chicago. During his pastorate, the membership of the church grew to 220; and the church developed a keen interest in the newly awakened cause of Foreign Missions. This interest continued to grow under his successor, the Rev. George Elliot, who was installed in June, 1849, and continued a faithful pastor until April, 1858. In the year 1841, the church sent into the ministry Mr. Thomas Porter, who at this date was taken under the care of the

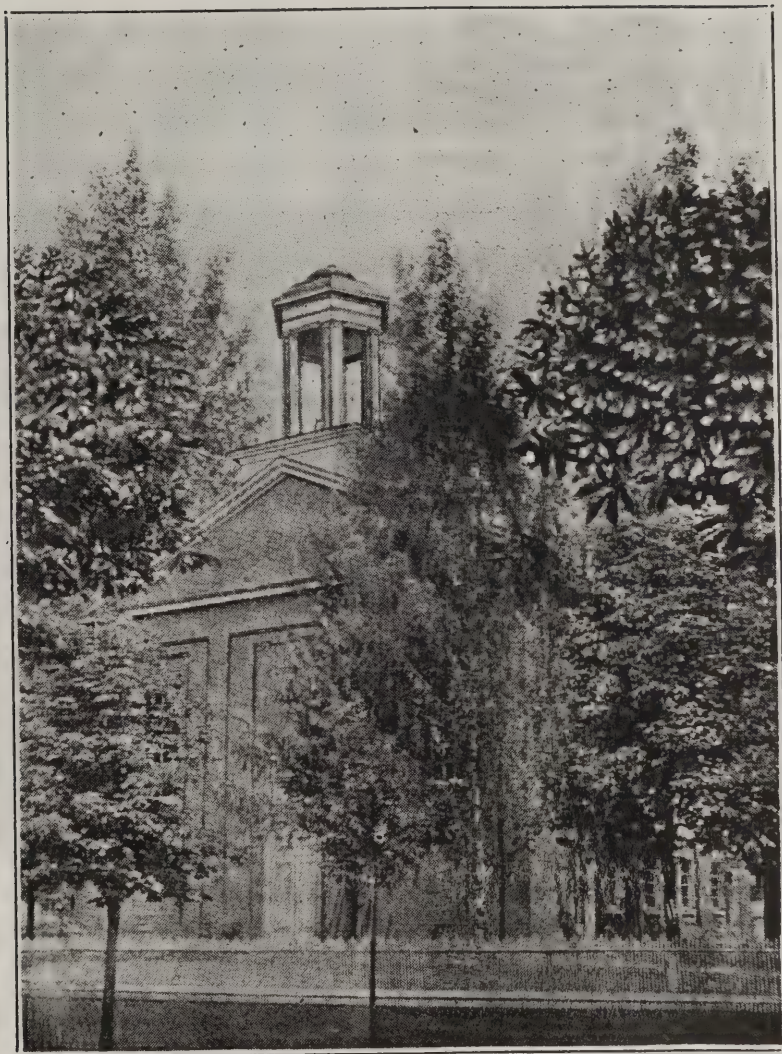
(1) The Thompson burial place undoubtedly marks the site of the White Meeting House.



THE LOG MEETING HOUSE, ABOUT 1802
(Reproduced from specifications drawn by Miss Sue Phillips)



THE WHITE MEETING HOUSE, BUILT ABOUT 1820



ALEXANDRIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, BUILT 1851



THE PRESENT CHURCH BUILDING

Presbytery of Huntingdon. Mr. Porter was licensed to preach in 1844, and in 1848 became a minister in the German Reformed Church at Lebanon, Penna. Sometime after the Rev. Thomas Porter became Professor of Botany at Lafayette College. About this same time, Mr. T. Calvin Stewart, the son of John Gemmill Stewart, entered the ministry, becoming a Presbyterian minister of note in Philadelphia. In May, 1841 the church elected its first deacons; and laid the foundation of its interest in the welfare of the needy, and the development of its two Poor Funds, now administered by the Trustees of the church: the one, the William Thompson Trust, the other, the Dr. Daniel Houtz Trust.

The Alexandria Church took active interest in Missionary Work. Under the ministry of the Rev. Mr. Thompson, a missionary society was formed in 1823, known as the Female Missionary Society, but listing some men among its contributors. It was, we believe, the first Missionary Society in the Presbytery, and raised sufficient money to employ a home missionary for six months. The Church also supported the Western Foreign Missionary Society, established in 1802, under the Secretaryship of Elisha P. Swift and the faith of men like John Lowrie, of Sinking Valley, and his sacrificial son, Walter Lowrie, the first Secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. It was at a meeting of the Presbytery of Huntingdon, held at Alexandria on the 9th of April, 1835, that the Presbytery renewed its pledge to support the missionary cause, undaunted by the death of the Rev. William Reed, one of the three young men who had gone forth as the Presbytery's first missionaries. The Hartslog Missionary Society was established in 1886; and celebrated its fifty years of service in 1936 at the home of Miss Ella Robb, a charter member of the Society. The John Porter Memorial Mission Band was organized by Mrs. J. C. Barr and Miss Mary Scott about 1882; and the Juniata Missionary Society was active in 1888. The work of these two societies is now merged in the William E. Stewart Missionary Society. Two missionaries have gone forth from the church, Elizabeth Gemmill Miliken

to Japan, about 1885, and Mrs. E. F. Black, (nee Annie Stryker) to China in 1906.

At the resignation of the Rev. George Elliot, the church was supplied for several months by Rev. D. A. Happer; and in December, 1858, Mr. Samuel T. Lowrie, a licentiate of the Presbytery of Ohio, was extended a call, and was installed and ordained at Alexandria on the 7th of December. In 1864, Rev. Mr. Lowrie resigned and was dismissed to the Presbytery of Alleghany; sometime after he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Divinity, and ministered in Trenton, N. J. The Rev. S. M. Moore came to Alexandria from the congregations of Pine Grove and Bald Eagle, and was installed pastor, serving the church for six years, until 1870. Dr. Moore was present at 100th Anniversary of the church, held in 1884. On July 13th, 1871, the church called the Rev. J. C. Barr, who had studied at Tuscarora Academy under the care of the Presbytery. He continued to serve the church faithfully as its pastor until October, 1885; and in due time became one of Baltimore's important ministers; his son, Alfred Hamilton Barr, entered the Presbyterian ministry, graduating from Princeton Seminary about 1889.

The church called the Rev. A. H. Jolly, who was installed in June, 1886. Mr. Jolly was a very active man, and began a plan for the systematic organization of the congregation, interesting each member in missions, or in evangelism, or in the care of the sick, or in the work of the Sunday School. He developed the publication of a monthly paper, "Our Church News", which ran into more than five volumes, each issue containing eight pages; the direct responsibility of the young people of the congregation. In 1888 he opened a mission at Barree, and in 1892 built a Mission Chapel in Hartslog Valley, which continued to exist as part of the church's responsibility through most of the following pastorate. In 1893 Mr. Jolly resigned against the protest of his congregation, and went to Pittsburgh. He now lives at Washington, Penna.

The Rev. William E. Stewart came to Alexandria in 1893, and served as pastor for thirty-seven years, and upon the

occasion of his retirement in 1930 was made Minister Emeritus. Mr. Stewart began his ministry in the United Presbyterian Church, serving pulpits in New York City, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Oil City. He came to Alexandria from Mingo Junction, Ohio, and died at Huntingdon, Penna., on March 3, 1935.

During Mr. Stewart's ministry, the Rev. Walter K. Harnish, Rev. Joseph H. Varner and the Rev. Charles H. Neff entered the ministry, and the Rev. C. L. Lecrone became a candidate for the ministry. Rev. Mr. Harnish graduated from Princeton Seminary in 1900, and served in the Presbytery of Huntingdon as Stated Clerk and as minister at Academia, and at Arch Springs until the time of his death in 1932. Rev. Mr. Varner became a minister in the Presbytery of Wooster, Ohio; where he now resides. Rev. Mr. Neff graduated from Princeton Seminary in 1926, and is the minister of Old Tennent Church, N. J. Mr. Lecrone graduated from Princeton Seminary in 1937, and is minister of the Presbyterian Church at Flanders, N. J.

A complete list of all those who have served this church faithfully would include names from most of the old families of this community. At the time of the reunion in 1830 the elders elected were: John Dean, John Gahagan, David Tussey, William Stewart, George Wilson and John Porter. Mr. Porter, who had been elected an elder in 1825, served as Clerk of the Session for fifty-six years, and as Superintendent of the Sunday School for fifty-seven years, until his death in his eighty-fourth year. In 1841, James Davis, Christian Sheller, William Shaw, and D. Houtz, M. D., became elders; in 1851, Peter Stryker, George Stiner, and J. M. Gemmill, M. D.; in 1859, John Gemmill, John Dysart, and Patrick Davis; in 1869, Samuel Hatfield, John A. Whittaker, James McElroy and Samuel Patterson; in 1878, William D. Stryker, James H. Dysart, and Alfred Porter; in 1888, Charles P. Hatfield, George B. Porter, and W. S. Livingstone; in 1892, William A. Whittaker and John S. Lloyd; in 1910, G. Metz Wakefield; in 1916, F. N. Siegel; in 1920, Samuel Hatfield; in 1925, James Trimmer; in 1929, George

Piper, Harry Tyson, and F. C. Harshbarger; in 1933, A. C. McNitt, Elmer Isenberg, and G. I. Phillips; in 1934, Wilbur Whittaker; and in 1937, Stanley Munro.

The Church properties consist of: the Church building, built in 1851, which was renovated and altered by Mr. William Thompson in 1906 in memory of his father, and at the same time Mr. William Woolverton installed the present pews. A new pipe organ was also put in; built, in part, with a gift left by William McKibben, who had taught school in Alexandria for thirty years at the old Academy. The Church also owns the Manse on Main Street, which was erected largely through the interest of Mrs. Clara Houtz McAteer, and which was completed in 1900. The Alexandria Cemetery, enlarged in 1888 from the site of the White Meeting House and its burial ground to the present proportions, and sufficiently endowed by William Thompson, Dr. D. Houtz, William Woolverton, and others whose names appear in the annual reports of the church; it is kept in splendid condition under the supervision of the Trustees of the Church. Also the Old Burial Ground above the village where the Log Meeting House stood. In 1934 the Men's Bible Class undertook the entire renovation of the church and Sunday School rooms; and a gift of new Church Hymnals was made by Mrs. William E. Hoffman in memory of her daughter, Mrs. Mary McCullen. In 1935, the congregation dedicated a bronze memorial plaque to the Rev. William E. Stewart.

The work of the Board of Trustees have contributed throughout the years to the effective work of the Church. Among those who have served the church in this way may be mentioned: S. Miles Green, Nicholas Cresswell, George Bucher, Livingstone Robb, William Phillips, Henry W. Swoope, Wilson Robb, Calvin Porter, Alfred Laird, E. J. Leffard, W. W. Robb, Charles P. Hatfield, John L. Piper, J. Roy St. Clair, M. D., D. C. Foster, D. E. Parker, Roy I. Grove, C. W. Davis and Paul J. Swigart. The Ladies Aid of the Church was formed in 1883 to assist in a renovation made to the church building at that date. Throughout the

years many faithful women have served the church in various ways. At the present time the William E. Stewart Missionary Society and the Hartslog Missionary Society take a large share of the responsibility in raising \$964.00, which amount was raised this year, for benevolent causes. The Invested Funds of the church now amount to \$46,971 (Book Value), which are held in Trust for the Church, the Cemetery, the Poor Funds, and the Sunday School. The present membership of the Church is 224, with a Sunday School enrolling 240, and an active Young People's Organization, and a Young People's Choir numbering 24 singers.

The present minister, Rev. Harold Tapscott Smith, is a graduate of the Presbyterian Seminary of Louisville, Ky., and came to Alexandria in 1930 from Knox Church, Toronto, Canada, where he was the Assistant Minister and Director of Christian Education.

The Sesqui-centennial Historical Committee,

REV. HAROLD TAPSCOTT SMITH,
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List of Communicants, 1788

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| David Kennedy, Marsh Creek | Elizabeth Brown, Wayne Township |
| Mary Kennedy, Marsh Creek | Eleanor Donaldy, Piney Creek |
| Edward Hunter, Mill Creek | Alexander Ramsay, Marsh Creek |
| Sarah Hunter, Mill Creek | Mrs. R. Ramsay, Marsh Creek |
| George Gray, Big Spring | Sarah Hysop, Hartslog |
| Ann Gray, Big Spring | Ann Laird, Shippensburg |
| William Watson, Big Spring | Sarah Prior, Hartslog |
| Agnes Watson, Big Spring | John Longe, Path Valley — Logue |
| David Stewart, Marsh Creek | Wm. Maffit, Kishococquilus |
| Elizabeth Stewart, Piney Creek | Margaret Maffit, Kishococquilus |
| Wm. McCoy, Upper Marsh Creek | Thomas McCune, Shippensburg |
| Alex. McCormick, Janet Township | Mary McCune, Shippensburg |
| Ann McCormick, Janet Township | John Little |
| Robert Caldwell, Carlise | Agnes Little |
| Margaret Caldwell, Carlise | Andrew Donnoldy |
| James Dean, Hartslog | Robert Riddle, Marsh Creek |
| David Wilson, Hartslog | Mary Stewart, Hartslog |
| Margaret Wilson, Hartslog | Marjary Canan, Hartslog |
| Sarah Dean | Misses Rickets, Hartslog |
| Sarah Glen | Abraham Dean, Hartslog |
| Michal Nowlin, Middletown | John Thorlton, Hartslog |
| Mary Nowlin, Middletown | Elizabeth McGinnis, Hartslog |
| John Ferguson, Hartslog | Ann Keer, Hartslog |
| Jane Johnston, Carlisle | Ann McCormick, Hartslog |
| Agnes Logue, Path Valley | Archibald Glen, Hartslog |
| James Wilson, Hartslog | William Davis, Hartslog |
| Mary Wilson, Hartslog | Margaret Thorlton, Hartslog |
| Samuel McCormick, Hartslog | Jane Davis, Hartslog |
| Agnes Nelson, Hartslog | Mrs. John Johnston, Kishococquilus |
| Robert Wilson, Hartslog | John Flemming, Kishococquilus |
| David Caldwell, Hartslog | Miss Johnston, Hartslog |
| — Graffice | (Rev. J's sister) |
| Rebecca Caldwell, Hartslog | John Smith, Middle Spring |
| Elizabeth Dean, Hartslog | Margaret Tussey, Hartslog |
| Elizabeth Downey, Hartslog | Isabel Lloyd, Hartslog |
| Isabel Coleman, Hartslog | Litticia Bredin, Hartslog |
| Thomas Russel, Hartslog | James Smith, East Canogochegue |
| Martha Russel, Hartslog | Thomas Moorehead |
| James Dean, Jr., Hartslog | Jane Moorehead |
| Catherine Dean, Hartslog | James Henry |
| Henry Canan, Burt, Ireland | |

Admitted June, 1789

Jane McCoy
Jane Porter
Abigal Dean

David Caldwell
Mary Caldwell
Elizabeth Thompson

Partial List of Contributors, 1787

(Names Not Appearing on Communicant List of 1788)

John Canan, Esq.	James Kennedy	John Wilson
George Jackson	Samuel Kennedy	Samuel Hysop
Robert Young	James Deermitt	Henry Lloyd
William Eaken	Andrew Donaldson	David Lloyd
James McGuineas	Jacob Myers	John Shaver
John Sharrow	Archibald Fletcher	Benjamin Elliot
John Spencer	William McIlwain	Nathaniel Garard
Hugh Mitchell	John Williams	John Lee
Robert Mitchell	Thomas Keer	John Dean
John Mitchell	Charles Caldwell	Andrew Boyd
Alexander Young	Samuel McGomery	Peter Graffis
John Patton	Mary Bowers	James Wilson
John Davidson	Andrew Anderson	William Keer
Thomas Gray	James Thompson	George Wilson

List of Communicant Members, 1832-1842

John Gahagan	Mary Curry	James Davis
David Tussey	John Cresswell	Mary Dorsey
George Wilson	Abraham Cresswell	Nancy Donaldson
John Porter	Mary Cresswell	Elenor Davis
Alexander Anderson	Asthena Cresswell	John Davis
William Anderson	Elizabeth Corryell	Mrs. Jane (John)
Margaret Anderson	John Crawford	Davis
Mrs. Mary Anderson	Ann Crawford	Robert Dean
Catharine Alexander	Jane Crawford	Rebecca Dean
Andrew Anderson	Ann Caldwell	Rosanna Dougherty
David Allen	Sarah Carson	Patrick Davis
Ellen Dewald Allen	Mary Caldwell	Jane Davis
John Alexander	Jeremiah Cunningham	Mary Dinsmore
Johanna Albright	Ellen Cunningham	Elizabeth Dinley
Hugh Bowers	Nancy Charlton	Mary Fisher
Conrad Bucher	Joseph Campbell	Ann Fisher
Hannah Bucher	Amandal Cresswell	Catharine Fisher
Elira Bucher	Margaret Cresswell	Elizabeth Fisher
Rachael Baker	Robert Caldwell	Emily H. Fisher
Catharine Baker	Rebecca Caldwell	John Frampton
James Brown	Nicholas Cresswell	Mrs. Frampton
Sylvina Brown	Mary (Gemmil)	John Funk
Elira Bollinger	Cresswell	Jane Funk
Elizabeth Byrne	James B. Carothers	Elizabeth Gahagan
John Canan	Elira Carothers	Margaret Gahagan
Nancy Canan	Mrs. Carothers	Mary Gemmill
Moses Canan	Elizabeth Christy	Rosanna Gemmill
Mary Canan	John Dean	Israel Grafuis
Alexander Campbell	Margaret Dean	Elizabeth Grafuis
Jane Campbell	Pebecca Dean	Zachariah Gemmill
William Curry	Rebecca Davis	Stitchen Goosehom

Jane Goosehom	Hannah Lytle	James Reed
Rachael Green	Henry Lightner	Joseph Reed
Alexander Gordon	Mrs. Lightner	Margaret Reed
Mrs. Gordon	Martha Martin	Mary Reed
Harriet Goheen	William Morrison	Mary Robb
Susan Gemmill	Robert Morrison	Nancy Russ
S. Miles Green	Lydia Murphy	Mary Roller
David R. Goheen	Elizabeth Morrison	John Reed
Dr. Jacob M. Gemmill	Margaret Means	Elvia Reed
Daniel Hewit	William Moore	Harriet Reed
Ann Hewit	Rebecca Moore	Margaret Reed
Daniel D. Houtz	Alexander McCormick	Mrs. Mary Roe
Susan Houtz	Catharine McCormick	William Ross
Mary Heffner	William McCormick	Isabella Ross
Catharine Harry	Ann McCormick	Jane Ross
Elizabeth Harry	Mary McIlroy	Margaret Ross
Hannah Harry	Deborah McGuire	Rachel Ross
Rachael Harry	Harriet McMurtrie	Jane Ray
Daniel Harry	Janet Moneyall	Agness Scott
Elenor Henderson	Donald McDonald	Sarah Scott
Thomas Hamer	Susan McBride	Elizabeth Shively
Margaret Hamer	Isabella Miller	Mrs. T. H. Stewart
Collins Hamer	Elira Moore	Margaret H. Stewart
Elizabeth Hamer	Mathew McDivitt	Margaret Stewart
Margaret Hamilton	Jane McDivitt	Elizabeth Stewart
John Hamilton	Mary McCord	Jane Stewart
Joel Isenbarg	Margaret McLaughlin	John Stewart
Margaret Isenbarg	Sarah Ann Maguire	Martha Stewart
Enoch Isenbarg	Mrs. McKinney	Alexander Stitt
Sarah Isenbarg	James Maguire	Sarah Stitt
Elizabeth Isenbarg	Henrietta Maguire	Hannah Spencer
Jane Jackson	Isaac Martin	Samuel Stewart
Jane Johnston	Mary Martin	Mary Stitt
Elizabeth Johnston	James Martin	Dorcas Stackpole
Bruce Johnston	Joseph Martin	Mary Shaw
Ann H. Irvine	Thompson Martin	Sarah Stewart
Thomas J. Keating	Matilda Maguire	Mary Shively
Harriet Kryder	Henry Neff	Christian Shaler
Susan Kryder	Mary Neff	Margaret Shaler
William Kinsloe	Elvia Neff	Susanna Smith
William Laird	Catharine O'Donald	Mary Stineman
Elizabeth Laird	Maria Porter	Sarah Shaler
Mary Laird	Charles Porter	Mary Jane Shaler
Sarah Lefford	Ann Porter	John Stineman
Robert Lytle	James Porter	Ann Maria Stewart
Letitia Lytle	Susan Porter	Hannah Stackpole
William Love	Samuel Patton	William D. Shaw
Elira Love	Mary Porter	Elizabeth Stewart
E. Martha Long	Rebecca Patterson	Elizabeth Stewart
Margaretta Long	Marg. Ann Porter	(Davis)
William J. Laird	Thomas C. Porter	Nancy, Gregory Scott

John G. Stewart	Elira Walker	Rebecca V. Williams
Sarah Shaw	Elira Walker (Knidler)	James Wilkey
James Sharrer	Martha Walker	Mrs. Wilkey
Mrs. Sharrer	William Walker	William Wilson
William Trimble	Nancy Walker	Mary Ann Wilson
Elira Trimble	Margaret Weir	Isabella Wilson
Ellen Tussey	John Weiters	William Walker
Margaret Tussey	Mary Weiters	Elizabeth Wilson
Elvia G. Thompson	George Whittaker	Elenor Whitehead
Ann Thompson	Martha Whittaker	Ellen Wilson
William Thomison	Nancy Wilson	Cyrus Wilson
Rebecca Vanleer	Richard Wilson	E. Weike
Catharine Walker	Ann Maria Wilson	George B. Young
Elizabeth Walker	Lewis V. Williams	Mary Young

NOTE—It is not possible to publish the complete lists of all names of persons connected with the Church. Anyone interested in the records may be granted access to the Church books upon request.

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THE CENTENNIAL HISTORY OF THE PRESBYTERY OF HUNTINGDON, 1795-1895.

THE HISTORY OF JUNIATA VALLEY, 3 Vols.—In the Memorial Library.

THE HISTORY OF HUNTINGDON COUNTY, Lytle—In the Memorial Library.

HISTORY OF THE EARLY SETTLEMENT OF THE JUNIATA VALLEY, Jones—In the Memorial Library.

HISTORY OF HUNTINGDON AND BLAIR COUNTIES, Africa—In the Memorial Library.

HISTORICAL SERMONS of the Rev. J. C. Barr—In the Library of the Historical Society of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia, Penna.

The Sesqui-Centennial Program

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH, 1937:

- 1:30 P. M.—Welcome to Visitors and Guests at the Church.
- 2:30 P. M.—Pilgrimage to the site of the Old Log Church,
and Dedication of the Memorial Marker.
ADDRESS, **"In Memorium,"**
REV. CHARLES HARNISH NEFF
- 4:30 P. M.—Social Fellowship at the Church.
Historical Exhibit.
- 6:00 P. M.—Supper served to Guests and Visitors.
(Tickets secured at the Exhibit desk, for which there
is no charge. Reservation is necessary on account of
the limitation of space.)
- 7:30 P. M.—IN THE MEMORIAL LIBRARY HALL, Motion
Pictures—**"One Hundred Years,"** a sound film
prepared by the Board of Foreign Missions
of the Presbyterian Church.
- 8:15 P. M.—The Sesqui-Centennial Historical Pageant.
Presented by the Young People's Society of
the Church.

Please Note: Reserved seats for the evening program may
be secured at the price of 10 cents from the desk at the
Exhibit. There is no charge for the evening program, but
we cannot promise seats unless they are reserved.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH:

- 9:45 A. M.—Sunday School.
- 11:00 A. M.—The Church Worship Service.
ADDRESS, **"One Hundred and Fifty Years,"**
J. IRVIN ROBB, of Philadelphia
- 3:00 P. M.—The Sesqui-Centennial Communion Service.
ADDRESS, **"Our Heritage for Our Horizons,"**
REV. C. L. LECRONE

We hope that the Rev. A. H. Jolly, D.D., LL.D., former
pastor, and the Revs. C. H. Neff, J. H. Varner and C. L.
Lecrone, sons of the Church, will all be able to take part
in these Sunday services.

To our Guests and Friends we extend a Most Hearty Welcome

The Sesqui-Centennial Hymn

REV. HAROLD TAPSCOTT SMITH,
1937.

Tune, Trentham (S. M.)
Robert Jackson, 1894
(Church Hymnal, No. 213)

Rather slowly, with dignity.

Lord God of Hill and Vale,
Those noble souls gone by,
Wait with us here, in splendor drest;
Their faith our altar cry.

Their log-hewn House of Prayer,
And their White Meeting Hall
Dissolved by time; but now their faith
Gleams bright in Jasper Wall.

Thy Word, O Christ, they heard,
Thy Cross with rigor bore,
In reverence served, in fear obeyed,
In pureness loved Thee more.

Lord God of Life and Love,
For Thee our youth we wage,
To Thee give years; our prayers, our vows,
O God, our Heritage.

Thy Kingdom come, O Christ,
Here, in these fields, Thy Throne!
Our homes Thy Court, our lives Thy Crown,
These Hills and Vales Thine own!

Amen.

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